

<p align="center">PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT (RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON- COMPLIANT AMENDMENT DATED 05/30/2007)</p>	<p align="center">Docket No. E0001/7051P1</p>
<p>Applicant: Paul J. Thompson and Richard C. Gunderson Serial No: 09/954,763 Filed: September 17, 2001 For: STENT DELIVERY SYSTEM FOR BALLOON EXPANDABLE STENTS Examiner: Sarah K. Webb Art Unit: 3731</p>	

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In response to the office communication dated December 26, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.